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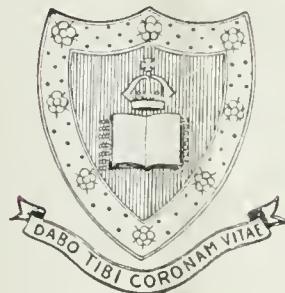
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The Future of St. Stephen's



A new epoch in the life of St. Stephen's is now in its birth. The ambiguous, hazy, ideal future that has been pictured for the past years is soon to spring forth into reality. The goal towards which our Alma Mater has been feebly striving is soon to be realized. This, of course, in a certain sense is a propheey, yet it is based not upon the firm convictions of a lone prophet, but upon the convictions of almost all who are intimately acquainted with the affairs of St. Stephen's. In former days, St. Stephen's fostered an interest almost only to Trustees, Alumni, and former students—and

to many of these only a feeble interest. The day is near at hand when the entire educational world will know St. Stephen's as an institution of sound learning,—a College of about 250 men, thriving, well equipped, with a Nation-wide reputation. St. Stephen's is an Episcopal Church College and the Church is going to back her "daughter" institution morally and financially in this new epoch and make of St. Stephen's a larger, stronger, and more prominent college. The latent energy that exists in the Episcopal Church and her people has awakened to the needs of its College and has already responded,

She will continue to respond with added force. The dawn is at hand.

St. Stephen's College is indeed fortunate in having for her new President, the Rev. Bernard Iddings Bell. Graduated from the University of Chicago in 1907, he pursued his studies for Holy Orders at the Western Theological Seminary, taking the degree of S. T. B. there in 1919. The same year he was ordained deacon and advanced to the priesthood by the Bishop of Chicago. After his ordination he served at Christ Church, Chicago, St. Christopher's at Oak Park, Ill., and Grace Church, Chicago. In 1914 he was called to be the first Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Fond du Lac. During the war he served as chaplain at the Great Lakes Naval Station. President Bell is well known in American literary circles, having been a contributing editor of the *Christian Socialist* and a frequent contributor to the *Atlantic Monthly*.

Our new president, the Rev. Bernard Iddings Bell has, since he assumed his position, given to the institution an impetus unparalleled in her past history. He has aroused the latent energy existing in the Church. He is to lead the Church in the making of a greater St. Stephen's. Immediately he set upon his new task in putting the college in a receptive position for the new and big things she is to receive from the Church at large in more familiar terms he has set about "housecleaning". Enormous improvements have been conducted in the culinary department. The library, thru the efforts of our new librarian, Father Barton, of Peekskill, will soon be thoroughly systematized and will so be kept. A part of a circular letter to the students this summer, sent out by President Bell is self explanatory. "You will find, upon arrival, that your rooms have been thoroughly scrubbed, the windows washed, minor repairs made and the windowsills stained and varnished. During the summer Orient Hall is being completely overhauled, painted inside and out, new floors laid, new windows put in, and the place made fit for gentlemen to work in. The common room especially is being improved. The old Trustees room in Ludlow-Willinek Hall is being made into a reading room for quiet work with shelves of books being actively used in classes and with all the latest periodicals, daily papers, etc. This club feature will, I am sure, be appreciated." This housecleaning is completed. We are now in a position to accept

what the Church and her people can offer in men and money.

All present plans are made on the basis of two hundred to two hundred and fifty men by 1923. In order to accommodate the steady influx of new students, it is planned this coming summer to enlarge the Refectory, to erect a new Administration building and Dormitory, and in all probability, to build a new, up-to-date Gymnasium. The fall of 1921, we confidently feel, will find St. Stephen's arrayed with these new buildings. The fall of 1923 will find over 200 men here on the campus. That our new president will accomplish this, we thoroughly believe.

Commencement, 1919

ALTHOUGH it is a long time since June, this is our first opportunity to thank, through the columns of THE MESSENGER, all those who helped to make last Commencement the great success that it was. We were glad to realize that the 1919 Commencement was almost the old time one we had hoped for, and we were confident that it was a new Commencement in the life of St. Stephen's as well as the beginning of the good year we are now enjoying.

The Baccalaureate sermon was preached by the Rev. John M. S. McDonald, Professor of Philosophy, and we are all sure it was one of the best if not the best sermon we have ever heard in the college chapel. On the evening of June 9th, the weather was ideal for the class day exercises, which were followed by the Dragon Club Dance.

The chapel was crowded to the full capacity at the Mission Service on the following evening after which the many alumni went to their respective Fraternity Reunion Banquets. The Eulexian Banquet was held in Preston Hall while the Sigs went to Hoffman Inn, Red Hook, and the Kaps enjoyed a repast at Beekman Arms, Rhinebeck.

The platform built under an awning canopy was all in readiness for Wednesday noon. After a service in the chapel at 11:45 the grand procession broke up at the platform where the degrees were conferred and the prizes given.

Harry J. Stretch delivered the salutatory address and Alexander Keedwell was valedictorian,

also competitor and winner of the McVickar prize in oratory. A letter from the Rev. President W. C. Rodgers, D.D., regretting his absence on account of illness, was read.

The Luncheon in Preston Hall which followed at 1:15 was a huge success. There were many famous men as speakers and many men with famous speeches, and when the time came to go everyone was very loath to leave.

The Commencement had been a grand one,—one that will ever remain in the memories of those who shared it, for it was an old-time Commencement with a new-time spirit. It possessed the spirit St. Stephen's has always instilled in her sons, a spirit which has carried and will carry St. Stephen's victoriously through hard times. Last Commencement was the commencement of a new era for our college,—the guarantee of a good future for our Alma Mater.

Alumni Association

THE annual corporate celebration of the Holy Communion for Alumni and former students took place in the College Chapel at 7:30 a. m., the Very Rev. Dr. Treder celebrating, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Jessup. The offering for the Alumni Scholarship Fund was \$13.85.

The fifty-second annual meeting of the Alumni Association of the College was called to order by the President, Dean Treder in the Library at 9:30 a. m. At the roll call the following members answered to their names: Dr. Upjohn, '63; E. W. Colloque, '71; P. McD. Bleecker, '76; H. B. Whitney, '78; C. A. Jessup, '82; W. Holden, '83; J. C. Linsley, '86; P. C. Pyle, '90; L. R. Sheffield, '93; E. N. Curry, '94; R. H. Mize, '94; J. L. Lasher, '96; S. Wolcott Linsley, '97; W. B. Selvage, '98; H. L. Stoddard, 1900; O. F. R. Treder, '01; C. Fowler, '01; E. C. Tuthill, '04; Gerald H. Lewis, '05; W. J. Gardner, '06; E. J. Hopper, '10; E. H. Spear, '11; C. T. Bridgeman, '13; C. S. Armstrong, '14; E. W. Ely, '14; H. Glaeser, '14; E. A. Leonhard, '14; A. J. M. Wilson, '14; B. H. Goodwin, '15; Paul Hartzell, '15; T. L. Small, '16; F. M. Heal, '17.

The Necrologist reported the deaths of the following men: The Rev. Augustine H. W. Anderson; the Rev. W. Bachman, '05; the Rev. Charles Henry Doupe, '79; the Rev. E. S. Hale, '09; the Rev. Arthur Kelly; Lieut. Lester W. Kearn; the Rev. Charles Martin Niles, '86;

Sergeant Walter R. Whitmore, '18; the Rev. Philip H. Williams; Private Leroy A. Wyant, the Rev. Charles D. Fairman.

The President reported that nothing requiring special attention on his part or on the part of the Executive Committee had transpired during the year.

The Rev. Charles S. Armstrong reported in behalf of the Gymnasium Fund Committee that there was a total balance of \$3,648.64, \$3,000. of which is invested in a guaranteed mortgage netting 5%, and that \$600. is about to be deposited on a certificate of deposit bringing in 3%.

The Ven. Dr. Holden reported that the Alumni Scholarship Fund amounted to \$1,542.13, plus the interest of \$30.84, plus the offering at today's celebration of the Holy Communion \$13.85, making a grand total of \$1,586.82.

The report of the Treasurer, the Rev. S. Wolcott Linsley, was received, referring same to the appointed auditing committee, the Rev. Messrs. Bleecker and Stoddard, who found the same correct, and the report was accepted.

The Rev. Cuthbert Fowler reported on behalf of the committee appointed to investigate the constitution of the alumni of other colleges with regard to the admission of former students not holding degrees. At the motion of Dr. Norris, seconded by Dr. Holden, the report was received. Mr. Fowler offered the following motion, which was seconded by Dr. Jessup and passed: Amend By-law 8, striking out the word "one" and substitute the word "five."

Notice of the following amendment to the constitution was given: In Article II, Strike out p. 1. Strike out p. 2. substituting therefor as p. 2: "Any graduate or former student of St. Stephen's College may become a member upon application to the Secretary." Strike out p. 3. Renumber p. 4 and 5 as p. 3 and 4. This notice to amend the constitution is in accordance with the report of the committee on the admission of former students and has been duly signed by the required number.

The following names were proposed for election as Directors and officers of the Alumni Association: The Rev. Cuthbert Fowler, The Rev. J. Chauncey Linsley, The Rev. S. Wolcott Linsley, The Rev. P. C. Pyle, Mr. W. B. Selvage, Mr. E. A. Sidman, The Very Rev. O. F. R. Treder, The Rev. E. C. Tuthill, The Rev. A. J. M. Wilson. There being no other candidates,

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the Secretary found one ballot cast for these men, and the President declared them elected.

The Rev. J. Chuncey Linsley, '86, was nominated for the office of President. He being the only candidate the Secretary found one ballot cast for him, and Dr. Linsley was declared duly elected President for the ensuing year. In like manner and procedure the Rev. E. Tut hill was nominated and elected Vice President; The Rev. A. J. M. Wilson as Secretary; The Rev. S. Wolcott Linsley as Treasurer; and Mr. Arthur Rose member-at-large of the Executive Committee. The Very Rev. Dr. Treder was reappointed as Necrologist.

The following motion was proposed by the Rev. Dr. Jessup and seconded by the Ven. Dr. Holden: Resolved, that this Alumni Association respectfully and earnestly suggest to the Board of Trustees of St. Stephen's College that their honorable body take such steps as in thier judgment may be necessary to see that an appeal for not less than \$500,000.00 for this College be included in the appeal for \$20,000,000.00 to be made to the Church in this country, in connection with the Nation-wide Campaign which is being instituted with the endorsement and approval of the majority of the Bishops and the Dioceses of the Church. Resolved; that this resolution be communicated to the Board of Trustees immediately. On motion of the Rev. A. J. M. Wilson, seconded by the Rev. H. B. Whitney, the chair appointed as a committee to carry the foregoing resolution to the Board of Trustees at once the Rev. Dr. Jessup, the Rev. H. B. Whitney, and Mr. W. B. Selvage.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Linsley, seconded by the Ven. Dr. Holden, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, that the hearty greetings of the Alumni Association of St. Stephen's College be sent to the outgoing President of the College, the Rev. William C. Rodgers, D.D., with sincere appreciation of all that he has done for the best interests of the College during his term of office, and with best wishes for a blessing on his life and work in his new field of labor in the Church.

Moved by the Rev. S. Wolcott Linsley, seconded by the Rev. C. T. Bridgeman, that if the Business Manager of THE MESSENGER needs the usual grant of \$25.00, it should be given him with the stipulation that every Alum-

mus receive the number with the record of Commencement proceedings. Carried. The Secretary conveyed this motion to THE MESSENGER.

Moved by the Rev. Mr. Fowler, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Jessup, that the chair appoint a press committee of one who should see that an account of Commencement proceedings should be reported to the press. Carried. It was understood that the Rev. Gerald H. Lewis should be this member.

Moved by the Rev. S. Wolcott Linsley, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Bleecker, that the Secretary, prior to each Commencement, send an invitation to students about to graduate, inviting them to attend the Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association. Carried.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bridgeman, seconded by the Rev. S. Wolcott Linsley, the Secretary was empowered to draw on the Treasury for the usual amount of \$25.00 for his expenses during the year. Carried.

The Rev. Mr. Bridgeman made an encouraging report of the activities of the Alumni and former students living in and near Philadelphia.

At this juncture the Rev. Dr. Jessup reported that the committee regarding the granting of not less than \$500,000 to the College, sent to carry the resolution to the Trustees, had discharged its duties.

The minutes of this meeting were read and approved as read.

On motion duly made the meeting adjourned.

(Signed) A. J. Wilson, Sec.

Department of Sociology

THIS year we are able to realize the important department of Economics and Sociology. We are fortunate in having as Professor of this department a man of wide experience and a most able scholar Dr. Lyford Paterson Edwards. Although with us only a few weeks, he has won the confidence and respect of all who have come in contact with him. His brilliant talent ought to make him a valuable asset both to the College and to the Students. It is with great pleasure that we receive him and offer our hearty cooperation.

Dr. Edwards was graduated from McGill College, Montreal, with honors in Latin and

Greek. While taking special work in Greek at the University of Chicago, he was Baptized, Confirmed, and became a Candidate for Holy Orders. After attending the Western Theological Seminary for two years, he was ordained by the Bishop of Chicago. He then became rector of St. Matthew's Church, Evanston, Illinois, where he built a new Church. For two years he studied in the East, part of the time at Holy Cross Monastery, and then as Curate at St. John's Church, Staten Island. Then, after two years as instructor in Latin and Greek in the Preparatory Department at Nashotah House, and Instructor in Christian Economics in the Seminary itself, he completed his work for a Doctor of Philosophy Degree at the University of Chicago; and, from his work as Professor of Economics, Sociology, and Mediaeval History at Rice Institute, Houston, Texas, he has come to his present position at St. Stephen's. Beside his work as professor in so many branches, he is gradually gaining fame as an author. His latest work, "The Transformation of Primitive Christianity from an Eschatological to a Sociological Point of View" is now at press, but its publication is expected in the near future.

A Welcome Change

OF the many surprises the students and Faculty have had at various times in Preston Hall, the most pleasant was the recent change in the system of the management of the dining hall.

We are fortunate enough this year to have with us a person who understands entirely the problem of pleasing the students in respect to meals. Miss Mary T. Southern, of Richmond, Virginia, who was graduated from Columbia University and has made many successes in the practical world, has accepted the position of House Manager and thus far she has proved herself more than equal to the task. We are to be congratulated in having Miss Southern at the head of our efficient staff and we wish her every good luck and success in the future.

Instead of tablecloths, which often by the end of the week were worse than none at all,

we have clean white runners, and instead of the bare wood we have well polished tables. The tables are always prettily decorated with attractive flowers or berries, and together with the class and campus pictures kindly amplified by Mr. A. L. Rose, we are very proud of our Preston Hall.

1922-1923

IT was Sunday afternoon, September 21st, 1919, that the newly arrived "frosh" congregated and first boasted of their class. Then, in the silence of the sabbath, in a place unknown to sophs or others, the tenderfoots made the first minutes of the class of '23. There they elected their officers, there they "pledged" allegiance to '23, and plotted the downfall of '22. From that time on the frosh had to try to keep from blushing or showing embarrassment when names were mentioned or suspected in regard to their officers. THE MESSENGER regrets that an interview with the president of '23 was out of order, it is believed on account of sickness on the part of the '23 leader.

The first apparent signs of animosity showed up on Tuesday night following the Big Sunday. It was after the Freshmen had had a very conservative meeting in Cuth's classroom in Aspinwall and had yelled their yell, for which they are to be congratulated. "Ras'berries '23" echoed from some sophs' rooms, just as the "inspired" frosh were thinking of leaving the world in peace in order to study Greek.

The sophs paid heavily for those "Ras'berries," for before long the whole sophomore class, with the exception of one unconscious individual in bed, was struggling and being carried down the campus by the inclement freshmen. Langdon '22, who seemed to be the backbone of his class and roughly handled in spite of his "robe de nuit", succeeded in keeping the freshmen busy by his good spirit and heavy body.

When the whistle blew and the "fight" was over, every one went home confident that St. Stephen's this year had an entering class which possessed plenty of "pep" and that the frosh had started well.

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ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, at this the beginning of another scholastic year, is facing a new and better day. War, that terrible scourge of nations, has passed with all its horrors and sorrows and our Country, thank God, has begun to settle her internal affairs and to renew the customs and pursuits of peaceful times. Our students may now return to college reasonably sure that they will be able to pursue their studies without being disturbed by the disconcerting shadow of uncertainty which has been ours for the past two or three years. Then, too, the vision of the "St. Stephen's of the future", of which we have so often heard in such glowing terms, bids fair to be realized under the regime of President Bell.

At many different times during the few trying years just past, the outlook for St. Stephen's has been dismal indeed; apparent lack of support by the Church, due probably to ignorance of the place and its possibilities, was accompanied by the war, drawing as it did upon the supply of young men in the small college as well as in the great university. Many of our friends and some of the student body grew pessimistic at times concerning the very existence of our College. At last something definite was accomplished. The Provincial Synod, representing the

diocese of New York and New Jersey, recognized St. Stephen's as a provincial institution, and many encouraging plans were made; but the carrying out of these plans was prevented by the continuation of the war. Then came blessed peace; our Country had emerged victorious from the most brutal war of history, and our beloved College, through the mercy of God, still lived.

Now the period of reconstruction is upon us; while the nation at large is busy at adjustment and is with difficulty resuming the responsibilities of peaceful times, we, a small part of the nation, must be awake to the demands of the new day. It is up to every man in College to put his shoulder to the wheel and do his share in making St. Stephen's the larger and better place for which we have all so earnestly hoped. We must put aside the small and ignoble and strive for the higher things in our College life. We must make St. Stephen's in very truth an institution of "sound learning and a bulwark of the holy Catholic Church,"—and the only way we can do this is to give our heartiest co-operation to everything that is attempted or done for the betterment and advancement of the College. Let us put down as unworthy of men all those petty jealousies and polities that so easily gain their way into our daily life here. Let us be less ready to criticise or condemn our superiors and our fellows; let us show ourselves to be imbued with a true college spirit; and above all, let us prove ourselves worthy of the renewed interest and support of those without our walls.

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SINCE midsummer the men of St. Stephen's have been hearing from widely spread sources, words of praise for our new President, the Rev. Bernard Iddings Bell, and words of commendation for the Trustees for their wise and happy choice in placing such a man at the head of our College. Much has been said by the students among themselves, and now complimentary remarks seem rather trite.

However, THE MESSENGER, as the official organ of the student body, feels that it cannot ignore this opportunity of extending its heartiest welcome to President Bell. We welcome him not only because he comes to us at a time when we sorely need a strong leader, but also on account of his being the man he is. Aside from mere scholastic accomplishment, one of the

requisites of the successful college president is that he must have a keen insight into the nature and character of young men, and he must be willing to meet them as men. Although college men are of necessity young and impressionable, yet their president must respect to a certain degree their growing beliefs and ideals, and when their views are wrong he must combat them with a spirit of sympathy and comradeship, and not antagonism. In the short time that President Bell has been here, he has shown himself to be possessed of the quality of comradeship with and friendliness toward the student body, and we feel sure that the support and co-operation which we so gladly give him now will grow with time. We love our Alma Mater, with her traditions and ideals, and we can wish President Bell nothing better than this—that he may come to feel toward St. Stephen's College as we do.

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WITH this issue of THE MESSENGER, the Board of Editors has assumed a new and larger responsibility; we have adopted a new policy,—enlargement of the publication itself and an extension of its circulation. As the older men will notice, the form of paper has been changed and enlarged, and it is the intention of the Board to exert every power toward putting out a monthly paper that will be worthy of St. Stephen's College. THE MESSENGER has undertaken to aid the College in its publicity campaign; every Bishop of the American Church is to receive the paper regularly, as will also many prominent men among both the clergy and the laity, and in this way St. Stephen's College, with its attractions and its needs, will be brought to the attention of Churchmen in every diocese and missionary district of the Church.

With this, our initial attempt at collegiate journalism for the year, we wish to make a strong bid for the active cooperation of every man in College. Fellow students, this is your paper, the official mouthpiece of the men of St. Stephen's; it should be not merely a diary of college life but also a mirror of college thought, and we appeal to your college spirit in making it such. A large measure of the success of THE MESSENGER depends upon you; the editors are as busy and as heavily burdened as you and cannot be expected to shoulder the entire responsibility. Therefore, during the coming year, we shall expect contributions at various times from

as many men as possible. If you have any grievances to air, any thoughts or ideas that may prove helpful, any meritorious piece of literary effort, any good jokes,—in short, anything worthy of printing, share it with THE MESSENGER, and we shall then, and not until then, have a really successful college paper.

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NEW MEN! We greet you. We welcome you within our portals—within the portals of your newly adopted Alma Mater.

For many of you, it is the first time that you have been away from home for any great length of time. Perhaps you will miss the hectic excitement of a city life, or it may be the sympathetic solace of those near and dear to you at home. Make yourselves a part of us. Do not stand aloof from anyone. We are but a small community here at St. Stephen's and expect you to play an intensive part in all our activities. Many of you, who are exchanging a high school or preparatory school life for the more serious atmosphere of college, will find difficulties arising which you must overcome. Now, we consider you all as men—men in that you will discard the frivolity of youth for deeper and nobler ideals which are demanded of you.

St. Stephen's is passing through a period of up-building and progressiveness. Manifold opportunities are before you to prove your worth. Our new President has laid down certain principles for your betterment. These you must fulfill to the best of your ability. Show him that you have St. Stephen's at heart. Make him confident that you will uphold her noble past, and, if possible, draw still nearer to the lofty principles for which she stands. Those of us who are now trying to maintain her traditions will soon be leaving you. Then, the whole burden will fall upon you. We are trusting you to cultivate the right attitude at once and not to wait until that burden falls upon you with a crash.

St. Stephen's, like any other institution, is a benefit to the worthy alone. What are you going to give to your Alma Mater? She does not expect the impossible, but she does expect that you will freely put forth your most earnest effort. She expects you to put your whole spirit into all your work regardless whether that work is in the classroom, on the athletic field or in any campus activity.

Athletics at St. Stephen's

AT the beginning of the new regime it is very evident that athletics are to play an extremely important part in the life of the students of St. Stephen's College. President Bell has shown that he considers a healthy body one of the prime requisites for a sound mind and spirit. One of the most important phases of his policy is his campaign for the building of a new gymnasium in the near future, a building sorely needed by the college for many years past. To provide for immediate needs, sums of money have been expended for football accessories, a new tennis court has been added to the three already in use, and a court has been built for basket-ball, volley-ball, and hand-ball.

In order to make athletics a matter of interest and benefit to all, the President has seen fit to require that every man in College, with the exception of those excused by the college physician, must participate in games at least three afternoons a week. It has been rather hard for the men to adjust themselves to this schedule, but no doubt it may be more easily done as time goes on.

Under the leadership of Mr. Roger Daniels, our new physical director, an extensive program in the field of athletics will be carried out this year. Already in the short period of his work here, he has produced a football squad, and arrangements have been made for games with some of the colleges and universities. Immediately after the close of the foot-ball season, it is planned to have a strong basket-ball team which will take part in intercollegiate activities. In the spring, Mr. Daniels intends to produce one of the fastest base-ball teams in the memory of St. Stephen's and a prosperous season is expected.

The Athletic Outlook

ATHLETICS at St. Stephen's, under the policy of the new President, aims toward the physical well being of every member of the undergraduate body rather than toward the system of intensive training in major sports for a limited few. And with this aim in mind, one of the first steps taken was to secure a com-

petent college physician and surgeon to pass upon the physical condition of each man and from the results of these examinations to set forth the type of athletics for the individual to engage in.

The general direction of the present athletic program is under Mr. Roger Daniels, who comes to St. Stephen's from the Army Y. M. C. A. in which he served during the war period. Foot-ball and basketball are the two major sports for the fall and winter. The football squad numbers some twenty-five men out of a student body of forty-five and shows promise of good material. The schedule of games for this year is to be light and with minor teams, principally for the reason that there has been a lapse of two years, and, while the men on the squad are willing, few of them know anything about the rudiments of the game, let alone its fine points; so it would be folly under the conditions to make the present season anything but a preparatory one for next year. Walter F. Hoffman, captain of the team is the only member of the squad who wears the St. Stephen's "S", and has been a great aid in whipping the squad into shape. The first game with Poughkeepsie High School resulting in a 13 to 9 victory for Poughkeepsie is in no way indicative of the strength of weakness of the team. Simmons, a freshman who was scheduled to play quarter on the team, was taken to Rhinebeck with appendicitis, and Hinton, another freshman who with Simmons played end on St. Paul's team last year, was out with a pulled tendon. Dickerson played quarter for the first time in his life and after only three days practise. Unfamiliarity with the plays and the game was the cause of the showing made and much was learned.

The wisdom of the present system of physical examinations was shown in the case of Otto Simmons. Slightly injured playing football he came up for examination before Dr. Cunningham, the college surgeon, and it was found that he was suffering from acute appendicitis in addition to the bump on his head received on the football field, and also had had typhoid fever for several days prior to his coming to college. Prompt medical attention was responsible for an operation and treatment that probably saved his life.

As in former years there is again heard the rumor of a gymnasium. But this time President Bell makes the assertion that the building will

actually be under way before the year is out. Twenty-five thousand dollars for the project is in hand and the rest of the money will be forthcoming. A new tennis court is being made, the Euxian court is being made over, the K. G. X. court is being resurfaced, and a new outdoor basket-ball court has been graded and laid out, thus giving new and better opportunities for tennis and basket-ball.

It is hoped that a satisfactory skating rink can be arranged for this winter which will mean undergraduate hockey teams, it being out of the question to think of competition in this sport with outside teams this year. There is no small amount of talk concerning baseball heard on the campus even at this early date, when a world series is winding up the current season and the outlook for a varsity team in this sport is good.

Compulsory athletics is on the program this year which means that every man at college must engage in some outdoor exercise even if it only amounts to calisthenics. With the project of a real gymnasium next year, compulsory athletics will take on another angle.

R. D.

Dragon Club Notes

THE Dragon Club is making a vigorous campaign for biweekly lectures. It already has on its list many prominent persons representing the various branches of learning—men of nation-wide fame. All of these lectures are free, not only to the Student Body, but to the whole community. "To give our friends something worth while," is the motto of this active organization.

The series of lectures will commence with the lecture "Four Contemporary Poets," by the Rev. Pres. Bernard Iddings Bell, in Preston Hall on Thursday evening, October, 2, 1919. It is hoped that the series will be well attended and that both the students and the community will seize this opportunity made possible by the Dragon Club. As yet it is not definitely known whether the second lecture will be one by Mrs. Aldrich on "The History of the Hudson Valley," or one by Dr. Edwards on "The Economic Conditions in England."

The Glee Club

TUESDAY Evening, Sept. 30th, the Glee Club organized for the coming season. Mr. Fowler, with his usual willingness to help, has again consented to direct the work. With such an able leader, the Club cannot help but meet with success. Hoffman, '20, was elected president of the organization to assist the Director. Kidd, '21, was elected Business Manager, with Dickerson, '21, as an able Assistant Manager. After the formal business meeting, the new men were admitted for the remainder of the rehearsal. New men will be given an opportunity shortly to qualify for membership, that the Club may fill its "quota."

The following resumé of a conference with Mr. Fowler will perhaps best reveal the Club's policy. In part, he stated: "Prospects for the Glee Club season are good. For three years we have been working under great difficulties and discouragements; but the interest of the men has been constant. The result of their work will show this year, for, while over one-half the Club will be new men, the old men know the music and have developed a tone which will be communicated to the others. The tenor section has been weak owing to the scarcity of material, but its weakness should be corrected this year. The leader is relying upon the interest of alumni for arrangements for a tour during the winter or spring. The Glee Club is one of the best assets of the College; it is one of the best possible advertising agencies. Therefore it should have support from the authorities and the alumni of the College. We have the material but want a little encouragement in the form of engagements."

Athletic Association

MONDAY Evening, September 22nd, the Athletic Association held its first meeting and organized for an active year. At the election of officers, Colwell, '21, was elected President, Hoffman, '20, Vice-President, Castleman, '20, Secretary, and Kidd, '21, Treasurer. A strong foot-ball and athletic schedule was outlined by Coach Daniels, after which Pfaffko, '20, was elected Manager of Foot-ball, and Colwell, '21, as Manager of Basket-ball.

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Chapel Notes

WITH the coming of the Rev. Bernard Iddings Bell as president of St. Stephen's, a new policy has been instituted with regard to the chapel. In an address to the student body in Preston Hall, President Bell said that a strong religious life for St. Stephen's is a vital part of his policy. A regular participation in the chapel services by every student is necessary if such a condition shall exist. Therefore the President has seen fit to make attendance at daily Evensong compulsory, Saturday alone being excepted. Attendance at the late Eucharist on Sunday is compulsory also.

As a part of his new religious programme, President Bell has arranged to have prominent outside clergymen preach to the student body at Evensong on Sunday, making this the principle sermon of the day and limiting the address at the late Eucharist to a ten minute instruction. The first preacher was the Very Rev. Dean Robbins of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City. The main thought of Dean Robbins sermon was Loyalty, which he suggested as an antidote for the present social disorder. A list of special preachers will be printed in the MESSENGER each month.

Campus Notes

WE are pleased to announce that Otto Simmons, '23, who was recently taken to the Rhinebeck Hospital to be operated on for acute appendicitis, is recovering nicely. The medical authorities were of the opinion that the injury received by Simmons in a foot-ball scrimmage in the early part of the season revealed an ailment which has existed for some time, the seriousness of which made immediate action imperative. We had hoped to have him back with us soon but owing to his weak condition, typhoid fever has set in which will necessitate his remaining in the hospital some time longer.

Among other improvements and changes instituted on the campus, a very important one is that concerning the Library. The books will be re-arranged and re-catalogued, the work being under the direction of the Rev. Michael Barton, assistant chaplain to the Sisters of St. Mary, Peekskill. Father Barton has had ample experience in this line having been a librarian at Nashotah and having been engaged in library work in an army camp.

Convocation

AS far as student activities are concerned, the college year was formally opened on Monday evening, September 29, with a meeting of the Convocation of Undergraduates. The usual routine business was attended to and Convocation decided to have an all-college Halloween party and also to petition the faculty for a holiday on Thursday, October 9.

Quite encouraging was the report of the Treasurer of the Gymnasium Fund, Cassius Hunt. He reported that during the summer Victory Bonds to the amount of \$250 had been purchased, making a total of \$1250 in Liberty Loan bonds held by Convocation. This sum will be used for buying equipment for the new gymnasium.

Alumni and Former Students

LIEUT. George MacLeish, U. S. A., was killed in service at Camugney, Cuba, on September 21.

Lee Lester Rhodes, was ordained deacon recently by the Right Rev. Charles Fiske, Bishop Coadjutor of Central New York, at Binghamton.

The Rev. Frederick Turner Ashton, has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's, Salem, N. Y., where he has been rector for over eight years, and has accepted a call to Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Delaware.

The Rev. Robert E. Browning, late civilian chaplain at Camp Meade, is now assistant to the Superintendent of City Missions and Chaplain of the Maryland House of Correction at Jessup, Md.

The Rev. Frank J. Knapp, formerly of Grace Church, Utica, has left for Brest, France, as a chaplain in the transport service.

The Rev. C. C. Sylvester, has assumed the rectorship of All Hallow's Church, Wynnote, Penn.

Anton F. Blaum, '09, for four years an instructor in the Szechuan Provincial College, Chengtu, West China, is now attached to the faculty of the Rikkyo-Gakuin College, Ikebukuro, Tokyo Prefecture, Japan.

Alex. N. Keedwell, '19, paid a flying visit to the campus on September 27.

George E. Spitzli, '17, a former instructor in the College, has recently returned home after having served overseas for a year.

The Rev. Frederick Sill, D.D., '69, died in August at his home in Albany. He was one of the four oldest Alumni of St. Stephen's and was greatly interested in her welfare.

The Rev. Pierre MacD. Bleecker, '76, spent several days on the Campus at the opening of the new semester.

Fraternity News

EULEXIAN

THE annual Reunion Banquet held in June was quite successful. About forty of the Alumni were present, as were also members of the Faculty and a number of the Trustees. A very enjoyable evening was spent.

During the summer, a raised-letter door-plate of bronze was placed on the door of the Eulexian Fraternity Room in Aspinwall.

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

The Annual Commencement Banquet was held at Hoffman Inn, Red Hook, with thirty-eight Alumni present. The affair proved to be very successful.

Harold E. Clarke, '22, attended the installation of the New York Rho Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon at St. Lawrence University on September 27.

Lieut. G. Dexter Sinsabaugh, ex. '19, visited the campus September 27-30.

Donmon E. Strong and Walter E. Hoffman have returned to College after service in the army.

KAPPA GAMMA CHI

The Annual Reunion Banquet was held at the Beekman Arms, Rhinebeck, in June. About thirty-five Alumni attended and the banquet proved a great success.

George Ames and Edmund Wood have returned to College after a year's absence.

Lieut. Hollis Smith, ex. '18, visited the campus October 1. He hopes to return to College the second semester in order that he may take his degree in June.

Who's Who in St. Stephen's

Convocation of Undergraduates

Arthur G. W. Pfaffko, '20, Pres.

Lauriston Castleman, '20, Sec.

Gordon L. Kidd, '21, Treas.

Student Council

Arthur G. W. Pfaffko, '20, Ch.

Lauriston Castleman, '20

Cassius H. Hunt, '20

Hollis W. Colwell, '21

Marshall

Cassius H. Hunt, '20

Assistant Marshals

Lauriston Castleman, '20

Gordon L. Kidd, '21

Arthur G. W. Pfaffko, '20

Athletic Association

Hollis W. Colwell, '21, Pres.

Walter E. Hoffman, '20, Vice-Pres.

Lauriston Castleman, '20, Sec.

Gordon L. Kidd, '21, Treas.

Arthur G. W. Pfaffko, '20, Mgr. Football

Hollis W. Colwell, '21, Mgr. Basketball

George D. Langdon, '22, Mgr. Baseball

Glee Club

The Rev. Cuthbert Fowler, '01, Director

Walter E. Hoffman, '20, Pres.

Gordon L. Kidd, '21, Manager

Robert T. Dickerson, '21, Asst. Mgr.

Dragon Club

Lauriston Castleman, '20, Pres.

Hollis W. Colwell, '21, Sec.-Treas.

Senior Class

Arthur G. W. Pfaffko, Pres.

Cassius H. Hunt, Vice-Pres.

Lauriston Castleman, Sec.-Treas.

Walter E. Hoffman, Librarian

Under the Lyre Tree

'20—What is the difference between the new basket-ball court, and the guest rules in the Refectory?

'21—One suggest a bill-board and the other suggests a board-bill. (Three groans!)

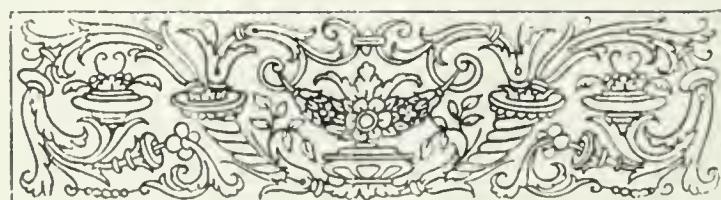
We hear that Gordon Kidd has many sweet things in store for all of us.

Frosh: Who's the most popular guy on the Campus?

Soph: Give it up.

Frosh: Why, the farmer of course!

(With music).



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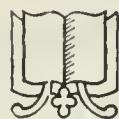
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The President's Page



EVERY month I am to have this page for a little talk about college affairs with the readers of this paper. I wish to say a word this time to three different sets of people.

First, to the Alumni: Most of you I have never met; but I can, notwithstanding, assure you of my pleasure in calling you friends. Many of you have written me most enheartening letters. Let me enhearten you. The men who are here this year are of a mighty good sort,—*downright, out-of-door, clean-living, straight-thinking, virile men.* They have some real religion, most of them, but they don't chatter much about ecclesiastical millinery. Most of them have seen service, and they do not indulge in much chatter about that, either. They are the sort we wish. The place is full almost to capacity. Next year, from engagements already made, there will be so many that I won't know where to put them. We must either build, or else turn the Annandale people into a race of room-letters. Do come up and see the old place with these new men, at Commencement,—or before, if you can arrange it.

Second, to those thinking of sending men here: This College, sixty years old, situated in the most beautiful part of the Hudson Valley, is looking for men who want *college work of the older fashioned sort*, with classics and the things which go with them, combined with a *thorough training in modern problems of thought and life.* We live a simple life, with strong democratic fellowship, clean and sane sports, and genuine scholarship. Our men study *hard*, play *hard*, pray *hard*. If a prospective student is a real man, he will like this place, be happy, and grow in manhood and knowledge. If he isn't that sort of a lad, keep him away. The charges are \$450 for everything,—low because of simple living. (The physical care is looked after by the best surgeon in these parts, a skilled coach, and a graduate dietician. Artisan water, pure milk, country food.)

Third, to the undergraduates. You are well started on a good year. Read the paragraphs above this. You see what I think of you. It is because of you that I can write that sort of thing truly. *Scholarship but no grinds, sportsmanship but no sports, piety but no poseurs,—that is Saint Stephen's.* That is you. I know it. I am proud of you.

President.